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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

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To: Chief School Administrators and Charter School Leads
Route To: Assistant Superintendents of Curriculum and Instruction, Career and Technical Education (CTE) Supervisors, Perkins Project Directors
From: Lisa J. Gleason, Ed.D., Assistant Commissioner
Academics and Performance
Register By: May 13, 2021 – CTE Program Reapproval Technical Assistance Workshops

Office of Career Readiness Announces Career Clusters® Available for CTE Program Reapproval

The New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) Office of Career Readiness is scheduled to commence reapproval of Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs in the following Career Clusters:

- Finance;
- Government and Public Administration;
- Human Services (Cosmetology only);
- Information Technology;
- Law, Corrections, Public Safety and Security; and
- Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM).

School districts with these approved CTE programs must submit their reapproval application(s) via the [CTE Data Management System \(CTE-DMS\)](#) located in the NJDOE Homeroom web portal. The reapproval period will open on May 21, 2021 and will close on November 30, 2021.

To ensure CTE programs are rigorous, reflect current industry standards, and adhere to the quality measures set forth in the [New Jersey Perkins V State Plan](#), the NJDOE requires all programs to be reapproved in accordance with *N.J.A.C. 6A:19-3*. A listing of all approved CTE programs can be found on the [Office of Career Readiness webpage](#).

To assist district representatives with the reapproval process, the Office of Career Readiness is offering virtual technical assistance workshops.

- [Introduction to CTE Program Reapproval](#) May 17, 2021, 9:30-11 a.m.

Career Cluster teams will describe the reapproval process, provide a refresher on the Perkins V legislation and its impact on CTE programs of study, review work-based learning requirements, and outline pertinent information related to specific Career Clusters.

- Career Cluster Question-and-Answer Sessions See Table 1 below for scheduling details
Career Cluster teams will hold virtual question-and-answer sessions specific to the programs and pathways within each Career Cluster.

Table 1: Career Cluster Question-and-Answer Sessions

Career Cluster	Date	Time
Finance	May 17, 2021	12:15-1 p.m.
Government and Public Administration & Law, Corrections, Public Safety and Security	May 17, 2021	1:15-2 p.m.
Human Services (Cosmetology Only)	May 21, 2021	2-3 p.m.
Information Technology	May 17, 2021	3-4 p.m.
Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM)	May 17, 2021	2-3 p.m.

- [CTE-DMS Reapproval Application Walkthrough](#) May 19, 2021, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Career Cluster teams will unveil the new CTE-DMS reapproval application, provide an overview of the new application format and will review tips and tools to submit a quality application.

Registration for these workshops can be found on the NJDOE [Calendar of Events](#) and is open until May 13, 2021. School districts wishing to cease operation of CTE programs must submit a deletion request through the CTE-DMS.

We appreciate your commitment to enhancing CTE programs in New Jersey. Should you have any questions, please contact the [Office of Career Readiness](#).

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